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Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

August 25, 2000

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Sir:

Subject to the approval of the Examiner, please make the changes to Fig. 5 by changing elements "6A and 6B" to -13 and 14- respectively. To that and a copy of Fig. 5 on one sheet of drawings is enclosed with the correction shown in red ink.

If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone Mr. Elliot Goldberg at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for

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any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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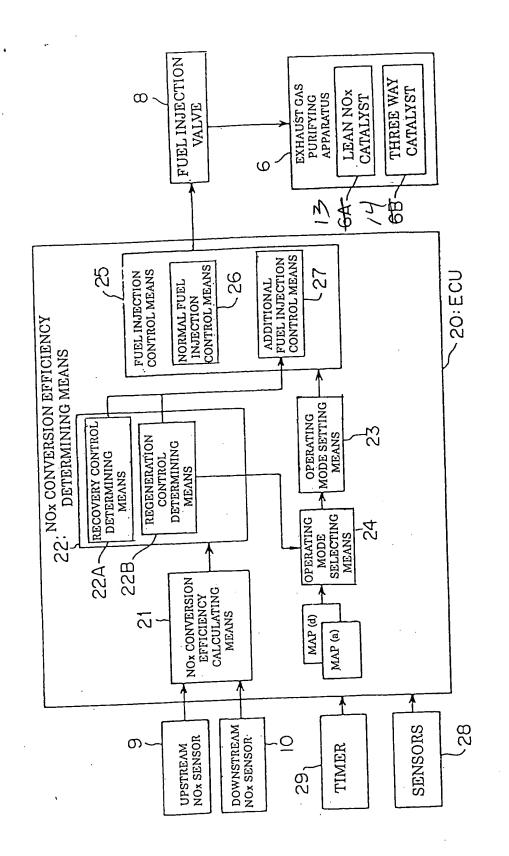
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